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SUBJECT: DAILY PRESS SUMMARY, FRIDAY, JUNE 3, 1977

NEW YORK TIMES

INSIDE UPI PIX OF MRS. CARTER WITH MEMBERS OF ECUADOREAN
JUNTA. NO STORY.

WASHINGTON POST

NOTE: FRONT PAGE.

SUSANNA MCBEE FROM QUITO.

HEADLINE: "STUDENTS HURL STONES IN PROTEST. ECUADOREANS
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SHOUT 'BLOODY ROSALYNN'"

LEAD: "ROSALYNN CARTER ENCOUNTERED THE FIRST SIGN OF
HOSTILITY IN HER LATIN AMERICAN TOUR AS STUDENT DEMON-
STRATORS SHOUTED 'ROSALYNN CARTER GO HOME' AND 'BLOODY
ROSALYNN'".

OTHER POINTS:

-- ABOUT 200 DEMONSTRATORS THREW STONES, BRICKS, ETC., AT MILITARY POLICE AND PRESS OUTSIDE LEGISLATIVE PALACE AS MRS. CARTER CONFERRED INSIDE.

-- POLICE RETALIATED WITH TEAR GAS.

-- ECUADOREAN SOURCES SAID DEMONSTRATORS HAD CONDUCTED OTHER RECENT PROTESTS AGAINST ECUADOREAN GOVERNMENT.

-- TODAY'S DEMONSTRATION APPEARED DIRECTED ONLY AT MRS. CARTER.

-- MORE TYPICAL WAS WELCOME SIGN THAT GREETED MRS. CARTER AT BUILDING SHE VISITED LATER IN THE DAY.

-- DEMONSTRATION AGAINST MRS. CARTER WAS SMALL; COMPARED WITH 58 DEMONSTRATIONS AGAINST NIXON.

-- MRS. CARTER VISITED WORKING BOYS CENTER.

-- DURING DEMONSTRATION A BRICK HIT SUSANNA MCBEE ON THE ANKLE AND OTHERS HIT NANCY LEWIS OF COX NEWSPAPERS AND HERMES MUNOZ, AN NBC CAMERAMAN. NONE WERE HURT.

-- IT TOOK TWO ROUNDS OF 20 TEAR GAS CANISTERS TO DISPERSE DEMONSTRATORS WHO TOSSED MOLOTOV COCKTAILS AT MILITARY POLICE.

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-- MRS. CARTER APPEARED NOT TO NOTICE IT AS SHE LEFT PALACE. SHE DID NOT SEE DEMONSTRATORS BECAUSE SHE ENTERED FROM SIDE STREET.

-- EARLIER MRS. CARTER HELD NEWS CONFERENCE AFTER 3-HOUR MEETING WITH JUNTA LEADERS.

-- SHE SAID SHE DISCUSSED PROPOSED ISRAELI SALE OF KFIR PLANES TO ECUADOR WHICH PRESIDENT CARTER VETOED.

-- SHE EXPLAINED PRESIDENT'S DECISION WAS NOT DIRECTED AT ECUADOR; WAS PART OF GLOBAL POLICY.

-- MILITARY LEADERS TOLD HER PERU ALREADY HAD SOPHISTICATED WEAPONS. MRS. CARTER REPLIED "I WILL MENTION THAT TO JIMMY" BUT CANNOT MAKE ANY PROMISES.

TIME MAGAZINE

HEADLINE: "LOS SIGNORA DE CARTER HITS THE ROAD."

POINTS:

-- LATIN AMERICAN DIPLOMATS HERE DON'T KNOW WHAT TO MAKE OF IT; SHOULD THEY LAY ON GALLANT INTRODUCTIONS AND SIDE-STEP TO ORPHANAGES OR SHOULD THEY TREAT FIRST LADY AS TRUE SPOKESWOMAN FOR HUSBAND'S FOREIGN POLICY? "I REALLY CAN'T THINK OF HER TALKING SUBSTANCE", REMARKED ONE LATIN AMERICAN AMBASSADOR.

-- FOR ALL REGIONS MACHO-MINDED PREJUDICE, WHITE HOUSE IS TOUTING ROSALYNN'S TRIP AS MAJOR DIPLOMATIC EFFORT.

-- HER POINT OF DEPARTURE WILL BE PRESIDENT'S PAN AMERICAN DAY SPEECH.

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-- ACCORDING TO PASTOR, ROSALYNN SHOULD CONVEY SENSE OF THIS ADMINISTRATION AND SENSE OF WHERE NEW DIRECTIONS ARE LIKELY TO TAKE US.

-- ROSALYNN HAD 13 2-HOUR BRIEFINGS.

-- SHE PRACTICED HER SPANISH.

-- IN HER ITINERARY SHE SKIPPED SOUTHERN CONE COUNTRIES RUN BY RIGHTIST JUNTAS.

-- REPRESENTATIVE OF PERU'S LEFTIST REGIME, EVENTUALLY VIEWING HER MORE OF TOURIST THAN DIPLOMAT, PROMISED SHE WILL SEE BEST WE CAN OFFER.

-- ROSALYNN'S MOST TICKLISH PROBLEM WILL COME IN BRAZIL. SHE WILL HAVE TO DEFEND HUSBAND'S REFUSAL TO SELL 50 MILLION DOLLARS IN ARMS TO THE RIGHTIST REGIME, HIS STATEMENTS ON HUMAN RIGHTS VIOLATIONS AND HIS OPPOSITION TO BRAZIL'S NUCLEAR POWER ARRANGEMENT WITH WEST GERMANY.

-- GEISEL HAS AGREED TO RECEIVE HER WITH ALL DUE CORRECTNESS BUT MAY HAVE POINTED QUESTIONS.

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CHERYL ARVIDSON FROM QUITO

LEAD: "ROSALYNN CARTER PRAISED ECUADOR'S MILITARY RULERS FOR PROMISING ELECTIONS AND THEN BEGAN TALKS THAT U.S. OFFICIALS HOPE WILL NUDGE THE SOUTH AMERICAN DIC-

TATORS TOWARD DEMOCRACY."

OTHER POINTS:

-- FANFARE AND GLITTER MASKED SUBSTANCE OF MRS. CARTER'S
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TALKS WITH JUNTA MEMBERS.

-- U.S. OFFICIALS SAID VISIT COULD BE A "TERRIFIC PLUS"
FOR MOVES TOWARD DEMOCRACY PROVIDED TOUCHY ISSUES OF
TRADE POLICY AND JET FIGHTERS DO NOT SOUR TALKS.

-- JUNTA MEMBERS GREETED WITH WARM WORDS.

-- MRS. CARTER FUMBLED HER SPANISH PRESENTING COPY OF
CARTER'S OAS SPEECH TO JUNTA MEMBERS. "I TRIED," SHE
SAID.

-- QUOTE FROM POLVEDA ON VISIT AS OMEN FOR WARM RELATIONS.

-- HOW MRS. CARTER WAS DRESSED.

-- U.S. OFFICIALS SAID MRS. CARTER WOULD STRESS PLEASURE
AT DECISION TO HOLD ELECTIONS.

-- ECUADOR'S EXPECTED RAISE GSP EXCLUSION AND KFIR JET
FIGHTERS.

REUTERS

BARRY MAY FROM QUITO

LEAD: "PRESIDENT CARTER'S ROVING AMBASSADOR, HIS WIFE
ROSALYNN, FLIES TO PERU TODAY AFTER TELLING ECUADOR'S
MILITARY RULERS THE U.S. SHARES THEIR CONCERN ABOUT THE
MAINTENANCE OF PEACE AND SECURITY IN LATIN AMERICA.

OTHER POINTS:

-- ECUADOR AND PERU HAVE BORDER DISPUTE; THERE WERE
CLASHES AS RECENTLY AS LAST JANUARY.
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-- IN TOAST MRS. CARTER SAID A CONCERN WE SHARE IS
MAINTENANCE OF PEACE AND SECURITY.

-- SHE EXPLAINED U.S. DECISION ON KFIR PLANES.

-- VISIT WAS MARKED BY STUDENT RIOTING; STUDENTS DISPERSED
BY TEAR GAS; MRS. CARTER SAID U.S. STANDS BY COUNTRIES
RESPECTING HUMAN RIGHTS; ECUADOR AMONG THOSE COUNTRIES.
THAT COMMENT REINFORCES MILITARY RULERS VIEW THAT VISIT
SIGN OF AMERICAN APPROVAL FOR GOVERNMENT AND PLANS TO
RETURN TO CIVILIAN RULE.

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JURATE KAZICKAS FROM QUITO

LEAD: "IN THE FIRST HOSTILE DEMONSTRATION OF ROSALYNN
CARTER'S LATIN AMERICAN TOUR, ABOUT 150 STUDENTS A BLOCK

AWAY NEARLY DROWNED OUT THE FIRST LADY AS SHE CONFERRED
WITH ECUADOREAN OFFICIALS."

OTHER POINTS:

-- "I HEARD SOME NOISE BUT I DON'T KNOW ANYTHING ABOUT
IT", MRS. CARTER SAID AS SHE LEFT LEGISLATIVE PALACE.

-- STUDENTS THREW STONES, SET FIRE TO BARRICADES AND
SHOUTED "GO HOME BLOODY ROSALYNN."

-- TWO AMERICAN REPORTERS SAID THEY WERE HIT BY ROCKS.

-- MRS. CARTER RECEIVED ENTHUSIASTIC WELCOME AT WORKING
BOYS CENTER.

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CBS-TV "MORNING NEWS"

DAVID DOW: "ECUADOR IS THE FIRST OF THREE NATIONS WITH
MILITARY GOVERNMENTS MRS. CARTER WILL VISIT, BUT ONE
WITH PLANS TO RESTORE CIVILIAN DEMOCRACY NEXT YEAR. AND
FROM THE BEGINNING, HER PRESENCE HERE HAS SEEMED AIMED
AT REINFORCING HER PLAN."

(REMARKS FROM MRS. CARTER)

DOW: "IN QUITO'S PRESIDENTIAL PALACE THE FIRST LADY AND
HER TRAVELLING STAFF SPENT THREE HOURS WITH THE MEMBERS
OF ECUADOR'S RULING MILITARY JUNTA. THERE WAS AN EX-

CHANGE OF GIFTS, AND AN EXCHANGE OF VIEWS. ECUADOR'S CONCERNED ABOUT WHAT IT SEES AS AN ARMED BUILD-UP BY ITS NEIGHBOR, PERU, THE NEXT STOP ON MRS. CARTER'S TOUR, AND WAS UNHAPPY WHEN THE U.S. RECENTLY BLOCKED ITS PURCHASE OF 24 ISRAELI FIGHTERS EQUIPPED WITH U.S.-BUILT ENGINES. MRS. CARTER SAID SHE EXPLAINED TO THE JUNTA THAT HER HUSBAND IS TRYING TO SLOW DOWN THE SPREAD OF SOPHISTICATED WEAPONS, BUT THAT SHE WOULD CONVEY ECUADOR'S CONCERN TO THE PRESIDENT. THE FIRST LADY CALLED THE TALKS INFORMATIVE AND VALUABLE. BUT WHAT CAME LATER WAS THE FIRST DISCORDANT NOTE OF HER FOUR DAYS ON THE ROAD. A SMALL GROUP OF STUDENTS YELLING ANTI-U.S. SLOGANS LINED THE FENCE OF A MEDICAL SCHOOL A BLOCK FROM THE BUILDING WHERE MRS. CARTER WAS SCHEDULED TO VISIT THE COMMISSION PREPARING FOR ECUADOR'S ELECTION.

THEY THREW ROCKS AT REPORTERS AND SHOUTED, GO HOME, ROSALYNN CARTER, YOU HAVE NOTHING TO DO HERE; AND DEATH OF AMERICAN IMPERIALISM. THE FIRST LADY ARRIVED AND SPENT TWENTY MINUTES INSIDE TALKING WITH COMMISSION PRESIDENT GALLO-PLAZA (SP?) ABOUT THE SIGNIFICANCE OF ECUADOR'S ELECTION, TALKS THAT WERE PUNCTUATED AT ONE POINT BY THE DISTANT SOUND OF POLICE TEAR GAS BEING UNCLASSIFIED

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FIRE TO REPEL A FEW DEMONSTRATORS WHO HAD BEGUN MOVING TOWARD THE BUILDING. MRS. CARTER LEFT CHATTING AMIABLY. BUT MINUTES LATER THE CONFRONTATION RESUMED. LATER, THE FIRST LADY SAID THAT DURING HER MEETING SHE HAD HEARD SOME OF THE NOISE OUTSIDE, BUT IN HER WORDS, IT'S ENTIRELY A LOCAL PROBLEM."

ABC-TV "GOOD MORNING AMERICA" AND NBC-TV "TODAY" HAD SIMILAR REPORTS.

ONLY EVENING NEWS REPORTING WAS CBS-TV:

WALTER CRONKITE: "FIRST LADY ROSALYNN CARTER TODAY ENCOUNTERED THE FIRST TROUBLE ON HER 7-NATION TOUR OF THE CARIBBEAN AND LATIN AMERICA. POLICE IN QUITO, ECUADOR, FIRED TEAR GAS AT ANTI-AMERICAN DEMONSTRATORS MOVING TOWARD A BUILDING WHERE MRS. CARTER WAS VISITING. SHE LATER LEFT THE BUILDING WITHOUT INCIDENT, REMARKING IT'S ENTIRELY A LOCAL PROBLEM." CHRISTOPHER

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